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Numismatic Thoughts At Christmas

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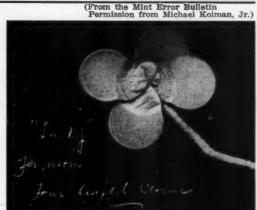
Shortly before Christmas last year the vice-president of our local bank telephoned me that he had a number of rolls of brilliant uncirculated Lincoln cents and a quantity of silver dollars. He knew that many Americans still follow the old French and Belgian custom of hanging up stockings for the little ones on Christmas Eve, and felt that an assist to St. Nicholas in the form of a silver dollar or a handful of shiny coppers would make a wonderful toe in the stocking of a future collector.

The idea of giving money at Christmas time goes back a long way. In fact, The Wise Men included gold among their gifts to the infant Jesus. (Matthew 2:11, "Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.")

The ancient Romans also had a period of gift-giving at this time of the year. The feast of Saturnalia, held in honor of the god Saturn, was the occasion for a week of Roman merry-making. Although they were celebrating something entirely erent from the Christmas, it was proper to give copper or gold as befit a person's 'tion. Coins were even issued to commemorate the event.

This Christmas, THE FLYING EAGLET suggests that its collecting readers put a few two-cent pieces, some Indian cents, or a handful of numismatic miscellany in the Chrismas stocking. In addition to its being a tangible gift, it is quite possible that this will plant the seeds of future-collecting-interest.

Don't YOU wish someone had interested YOU in collecting - not too many Christmases ago - when 1909-s-vdb Lincoln cents were priced at \$5.00 each!



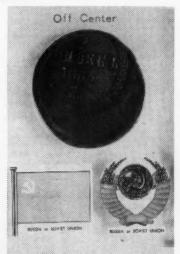
FOUR LEAF CLOVER DESIGN

Mr. Kenneth Ferguson, C.O.M.E.XCCI, who specializes in collecting Nickel 5 Cent Errors, has come up with this unusual design. By placing four nickels, over one-half off center in different Kolit positions, he devised this unique four leaf clover design. The center part is a near perfect Jefferson nickel. Even the lettering matches and reads as it should on a regular struck nickel. This is a real challenge to collectors of Mint Errors, to even try to duplicate in other denominations that one may desire to collect.







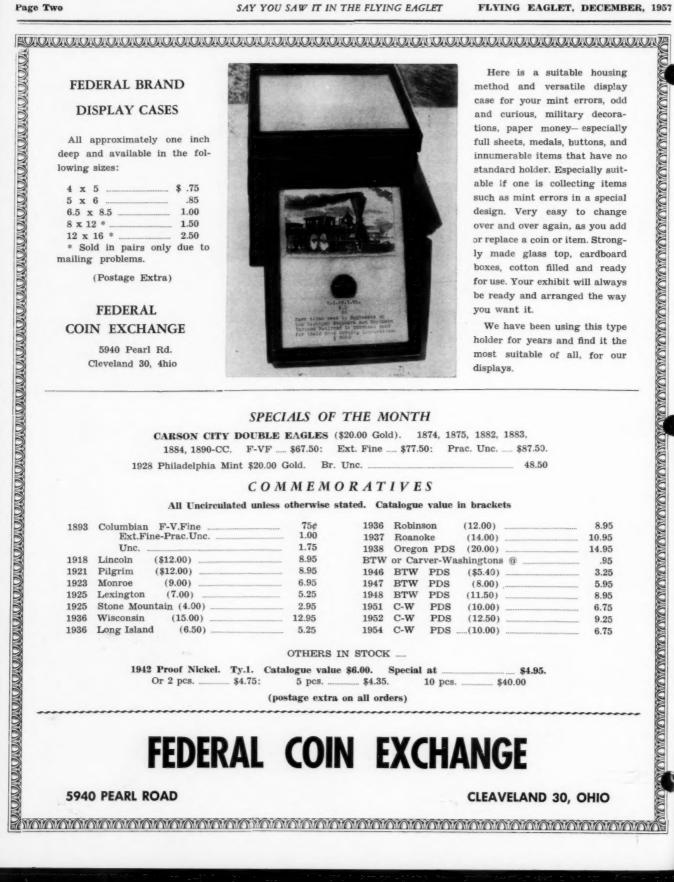


A FEW MINT ERRORS FROM THE COLLECTION OF DR. JACK LITMAN.

Pictured are a few of the Mint Errors from a very extensive Foreign Mint Error collection belonging to Dr. Jack Litman, Akron, Ohio. C.O.M.E.No.VIII., many of which were acquired from the famous O. P. Eklund collection. This is part of the display that was awarded Best of Show, at the Penn-Ohio Spring show in Cleveland, and Second in the Mint Error Award at the 66th A.N.A. Convention in Philadelphia. This collection is individually mounted in clear plastic holders which bears the flag and arms of the country represented.

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From Your Editor's Desk -

Our staff, writers, and all associated with the "Flying - Eaglet" have asked me to extend their seasonal greetings along with mine. So without further adieu, may we wish, to all our readers -

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS & A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

- Our first item of importance is the delivery of our Mail Service copies to our readers. Please bear in mind our mail service is second class, which takes anywhere from 3 to 10 days, depending on the distances and locality. We have received letters and cards saying we have not received this months issue. The post mark being about the 10th to 12th., a few days later we receive an acknowledgement of copy received. If the first day of the month falls on a week-end, our mail sacks are brought to the post office about the 3rd or 4th our man sacks are brought to the post office about the 3rd of 4rd aday, allowing for some 3 to 10 days normal delivery, you should receive your copy around the 12th of the month. We are as anxious as you, to see to it that you receive your copy. We have at times sent extra copies first class to our readers, who have written in stating they haven't received their copy. Once our mail sacks are at the post office we have no control over the delivery, so please be little preferred. To you continuously feel to get your copy, please a little patient. If you continuously fail to get your copy, please be a little patient. If you continuously fail to get your copy, please be advise your post office or write to us so we may put a tracer on it. I would be sure to notify us of a change of address as the post office will not forward your copy.

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U. S. Gold Notes — A visit from an agent of the Secret Service, Treasury Dept. has verified the fact that "Gold Notes" are not permissable to collect or keep. They should be turned into the Treasury Dept. for its face value. The difference of being allowed to collect "gold coins" and not "Gold currency notes" is not readily seen. As regoid coins" and not "Gold currency notes" is not readily seen. As it is, the law must be obeyed. Presently a few numismatic groups and dealers are hoping to get this problem straightened out with a visit to Washington. Many were under the impression Gold Notes had the same status as Gold Coins.

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POINTS TO LOOK FOR ON SOME POPULAR COINS.

1 CENT LINCOLN: The lines on wheat ear are a good spot to look for wear. On a coin classed as very good most lines should be showing, on a coin graded fine they should be sharp.

5 CENT LIBERTY: E Pluribus Unum is legible on coins graded good, clear on coins graded very good. One graded fine should have full liberty.

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10 CENT MERCURY: Watch lines on fasces, on coins classed very good some fasces lines show, a fine coin should have most all lines.

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FOR BEGINNEES who are just starting to collect, here are a few suggestions and some advice. First, a coin guide book is a must. They can be purchased for \$1.00 or more for helpful information: on care, condition, value, amount minted, types, how coins are made, and other news of help and interest. Most coins can be found in circulation. As you are making your set always try to improve the worn coins. Value of coins depends gratly on the condition. Never clean or polish coins unless you are experienced. If you must try use a common date coin. There are handy cleaning kits available for this purpose. Coin insert folders and other supplies can be obtained at your dealer. You may also notice that the age of old coins do not make them rare. There are some late date coins minted that are worth more than some hundreds of years old. What makes one coin worth more than another are by these factors: Amount of coins minted, availability, collectors demand and any unusual die strikes. Coins can be obtained through purchases, by auctions or trading with collectors. Mint sets can be bought by writing the Treasury Dept., U. S. Office of Treasury, Washington 25, D. C., at face value, plus postage and handling. To obtain Proof Sets of current year send \$2.10 money order to Supt. Phila. Mint 16th and Spring Garden Streets, Philadelphis, Ps. You may order as many sets as you wish. Commemorative half dellars are authorised periodically by Congress. These halves when issued are not sold by the mints. they are turned over to a Commission authorised by Congress at face value. The Commission then sells the halves at a premium.

VARIOUS ABBREVIATIONS USED TO DESCRIBE A COIN

Hd Head	Br Bronze	Mm Millimeter
Bt Bust	W.M White Metal	Scf Scuffed
Laur Laureate	Sm Small	Scr Scratched
Crd Crowned	Lg Large	Ctspd.~ Counterstamped
Diad Diademed	Stg Standing	R Right
Yr Year	Std Seated	L Left
N.D No Date	C.V Cat. Value	AV - Gold
Obv Obverse	Sim Similar	AR - Silver
Rev Reverse	Var Variety	AE - Minor
w With. within	Diff Different	Coll Collection
wr Wreath	Dupl Duplicate	CommCommemorative
Ins Inscription	Avg Average	M.M Mint Mark
B.U Bright Unc.	Brill Brilliant	Unc Uncirculated
F.E Flying Eagle	GV.G G. to V.G.	G/VGObv. G./Rev.V.G.

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Dimes	160,160,000	91,993,140
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1942-S		1950-P	.60
1943-P & D	.30	1950-D	
1943-S	.25	1951-P & D	.20
1944-P-D & S	.20	1952-P & D	.20
1945-P-D & S	.20	1952-S	.25
1946-P-D & S	.25	1953-P-D & S	.20
1947-P-D & S	.20	1954-P-D & S	.20
1948-P & D	.25	1955-P	.35
1948-S	.50	1955-D	.20

Important notice to serious collectors . . . We have been awarded the Auction for the Nebraska Convention in late March of 1958, if you wish a catalogue of this sale, we will be glad to mail a copy to you as soon as available. Print your name and address, legibly on a postal card and mail as soon as possible. Catalogues will be mailed to names already on our mailing list. The sale will include items from half cents to \$20.00 in condition from circulated to proof, some nice medium priced foreign and good currency. Write today before it slips your mind and you miss this good quality sale!

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"Thumb-nail Sketch" of the members - JEWETT? Fred. C. - Joined 1954 - Director 1955 -Vice-president 1956 - President 1957 - Accountant at Head office of Bank of Nova Scotia - Collects Canadian Bank Notes, also stamps - Is active in R.C.A.F. Auxiliary - Married, and has two small boys.

The August meeting was attended by 15 members and guests, with Vice-pres. G. Max Skinner in the Chair.

Mr. Mason displayed some Box Thalers and Indian Brockages. A 1936 dot 10¢ was examined and found to have been tampered with and is obviously a fake. An 1875 - 25¢ dug out of the ground was examined and as it was very black it sparked a lively discussion on cleaning coins. Dr. Wilkinson discussed ways of housing coins, a problem that confronts most collectors.

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SCALLOPED RIM CENT

Jack Marshall of Belmont, Mass., an expert on (mint errors) recently found this cent, which he claims is the only one he has seen. Jack states it probably came about when it received a very hard strike, something had to give! The metal then oozed up between the collar and die.

Incidently Jack won 1st prize with his mint error display at the N.E.N.A. Convention.

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After dinner several of the more prominent guests and members were introduced, they included Morris Clafe the only active member of this club who was present at its start, James Brown President of the Newark Coin Club and Charles Wormser of The New Netherland Coin Co.

Wooden nickels were distributed as souveniers, and I imagine some horse trades were made before everyone decided to take the STREETCAR and go home.

—Jack Nannery

Brooklyn, N. Y.

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18861 - 25 CENT F.
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1887 - LARGE CENT X.F.
1892 - 50 CENT COLOMBIA XF.
1893 - 50 CENT COLOMBIA XF.
1920 - 50 CENT COLOMBIA XF.
1920 - 50 CENT PILGRIM X.F.
1941 - \$2. NEW'F GOLD X.F.
1913 - \$5. GOLD X.F.
1945 - \$1. SILVER DOLLAR XF.
1947 - \$1. (BLUNT 7) X.F.
1947 - \$1. (POINTED 7) X.F.
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1948 - \$1. SILVER DOLLAR XF.
1857 - UPER CANADA X.F.
1927 - 1 CENT UNC.
1925 - 5 CENT V.F.
1910 - 5 CENT F.
1919 - 5 CENT F.

1902 - 5 CENT F.
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1919 - 25 CENT NEW'F X.F.
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THE OVER-SIZED COINS

The photo of a large and regular Jefferson nickel was used in an earlier issue. It belongs to John Zurine of Simpson, Pa.

Recent finds were from Claude Steinau of Louisville, Ky. who has submitted for inspection, a buffalo nickel 1/3 off center planchet, an enlarged 1930 nickel and a mint error cent. all X.F.

Arthur Schiller of New York City, also sent an enlarged 1863 C.N. cent. These pieces were pressed to the size of a quarter although they look genuine, they are of the regular issue. A fine scale will show they are of the same weight.



FLASH!

RARE 1894-S dime was purchased for \$4,750. by James F. Ruddy Jr. of Triple Cities Coin Exchange. Mr. Rudy is a dealer. He has his store at 257 Main St., Johnson City, N.Y. This was a last minute news item. More about the purchase in our next issue.

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PAPER MONEY ROUND-UP

Here Today - Gone Tomorrow

By Harold Don Allen

As I write these words, I have before me a gem specimen of that particularly attractive 1000 franc note which circulated in France during the darkest years of the 1939 War. Possibly you have seen it. If not, I would say you owe it to your interest in paper money to look it up. The two sides of the note bear, in all, no less than 51 square inches of that delicate pastel artwork which so characterizes the modern French note. The obverse depicts woman and child, against a backdrop of quiet agriculturalism, with the goat herds and the pastures, the farm house, the silo and the barns, the nearby village with its church steeple, and the distant hills. Truly a bank note designed more to be framed than to be spent! The reverse focuses the spotlight on commerce, with Mercury seated, backed by a multihued panorama of a bustling seaport and the spires of a town. Had France's Wartime currency somehow been accessible to collectors in North America during its first month of issue, there can be no doubt that not a few of the medium-value bills of the attractive series would have been added to collections, as numismatic art. Yet what is this (at pre-war exchange) \$40 note, worth today? I bought mine for \$1.50, the catalogue says \$2, crisp, but your foreign exchange broker will argue that the bill is not worth a cent. It was removed from circulation twelve and a half years ago, and any specimens still in the hands of the public never can be redeemed.

So, this colourful French note, if serving no further monetary purpose, adorns foreign paper money collections, having been obtained at nominal value. Which immediately points up one of the prime headaches of this growing branch of numismatic collecting: Why spend dollars, now, for an item of foreign money that is likely any day to be reclassified as obsolete, and available for cents? Indeed, how can anyone be justified in collecting current foreign paper at all?

Crisp, redeemable notes, to me anyway, have a special appeal. There is something about looking over their fine engraving, bright colours and exotic inscriptions, and knowing they could buy you a lunch pretty well anywhere on earth! The Tonga currency note is a beautiful thing. So are Djibouti francs, Thailand bahts and Scottish pounds! Collecting them is not likely to bring you rich dividends. Yet such a collection can prove worth many times its face value in terms of pleasure and pride of possession. Most significantly, it can be built so as to minimize liklihood of appreciable loss.

Foreign exchange resembles the stock market, to the extent that prices of world currencies (as compared with any standard) rise and fall from day to day. Then, too, there are long-range trends. Canada's dollar mounts the crest of a gradual rise from a wartime 90¢ (U.S.) to a present \$1.05. Sterling flounders in post-war doldrums. The Swiss franc rides confidently. The foreign currency collector soon learns to emphasize his collecting areas outside of regions of shaky governments and likely runaway inflation.

Far more of a problem to the collector is the monetary policy of calling notes for redemption. Countries which technically prohibit export of their monetary notes feel no compunction about ordering currency exchanged on a moment's notice. The collector in Chicago or Seattle would never smuggle back his bills to East Berlin in time! Hence, it is essential to be wary of such currencies. They can be picked up as "obsolete" in good time. But even such highly-reputed nations as Great Britain and Switzerland have seen fit to call in older notes. However, at least in peace time, ample warning has been given. There is no harm in framing such splendid examples of bank note engraving as long as you've a reliable foreign exchange teller to tip you off when it's time to cash them in. In the final category are nations committed by monetary agreements to honour their notes in perpetuity. Such is the basis for our profound respect for the American dollar. It is true of Canada's dollar as well, for all the complex bank issues of Canada (except for failures prior to 1895) are negotiable through the government, and provide a fascinating collection in themselves.

Intelligence, then, and a sense of perspective are the requisites for sound collecting of current foreign notes. Gather a few cruzieros, bolivianos, Chilean pesos, French francs or Italian lire — with luck, you'll not pay the cashier a dollar for a lot. It should be well worth that price to have them included in your collection. But shy away from the higher values, where face amount is more than you feel you'd want to lose. Enjoy chasing down illusive types of Sterling, of Gibraltar, Bermuda, New Zealand or British African colonies. Such notes are backed by sound governments. Your only loss (or possibly gain) will come from shifting values over the years. On your most solid currencies, collect to suit your tastes. Your money should remain, to employ a quaintly outmoded phrase, "good as gold".

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Central States Numismatic Society. Sixteenth annual convention. May 9-11, 1958. Netherlands Hilton Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio. Sol Kaylan, General Chairman, 413 Race St., Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association. Fifteenth annual convention May 23-24-25, 1958, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Seattle, Wash. Alf H. Andersen, General Chairman, P.O. Box 566, Seattle

American Numismatic Association. Sixty-seventh annual convention. Aug. 11-16, 1958. Hotel Statier, Los Angeles, Calif. Earl Glen Whitehead, Chairman, 1318 Pershing Square Bldg., Los Angeles 13. Calif.

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The reverse side of the coin looks like the ¼ real of Mexico of 1855, State of Chihuahua. The legend reads "Departamento Chihuahua." The coin is genuine in every way and shows considerable wear as though it has actually been in circulation.

I believe it to be a unique piece. Have any other readers heard of anything similar

-Maurice M. Gould, Box 141, Chestnut Hill 67, Mass. A.N.A. Life 144 -000-

PROOF COINS TO HAVE THE
LETTER (P) ??
Joseph Weintraub, secretary of
this well-named group, The Liberty Bell Coin Club, has sent me a report of the clubs' last meeting, which you will note as you read on.

Mr. Weintraub has informed me of an idea, to distinguish proof coins immediately from other uncirculated and gem coins. A letter to this effect was sent to Mrs. Biester Supt. of the Phila. Mint, also to the Director of the Mints' Mr. Brett. Here is Josephs' idea and suggestion.

All future proof coins struck at the Phila. Mint to contain the letter (P), this would enable the collectors to identify a proof coin on sight without doubt. There have been instances where a proof coin actually was only a highly polished uncirculated coin. When one pays a high price for a proof coin, there should be no doubt of it being the real thing. Your editor feels this is a very good suggestion which will benefit the collector and the hobby. Your comments and suggestions on this matter may bring this about. Write to me or Joseph Weintraub, 1941 Devereaux, Philadelphia 49, Pa.

Through your replies and back-ing we will then write the Director of the mint, for his consideration and approval.

YOUR EDITOR

-0-Enclosed is my change of ad-dress. I would like to mention my classified has received many replies. I have also made many friends, through the pages of the "Flying Eaglet."

-Donald A. Wright Queensland, Australia. -000

This is to notify you of my change in address, I am now a member of the U.S. Navy and am

stationed in Washington, D. C. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you how much I have enjoyed your magazine and I look forward to many more issues

-HM 2 Frank B. Kuapke Jr.

I would appreciate knowing what dates of coins are known to exist, which the obverse and reverse are both up right. I would also like to know how rare they are and if there's a price or cat-alogue of these coins. I have a alogue of these coms. I have a verse upright. I would like hear from others about this shift.

-Philip Nordell R.D. 1. Amber. Pa.

Editor's note:

The 1864 Bronze shift Cent is rare, but today there is no de-

There are a number of pieces around, your early coinage had most of these uprights. Some you may note are off centered in various degrees. Normally the reverse is facing down in relation to the obverse. Your early copper pieces are found to have most of these shifts, which are known as "Die Shifts." This is due to the die shifting while the planchets are being struck. I recently noted a liberty V nickel with the reverse upright. Pieces known to have die shifts are ½ cents, Large cents, 2¢ pieces, nickels, and most early coins. I have noted a large number of the 1924-D Lincoln cents with this shift. don't believe there is a coin list or catalogue of this variety.

How to check a two cent "small motto" 1864 quickly.

At the recent meeting of the Newark Coin Club an 1864 small motto 2¢ piece V.F. was offered for auction, the starting bid was \$10. with no takers. I thought if this piece is as stated here is a buy. A fast glance showed it to be a large motto.

I have mentioned this new discovery of mine in an earlier issue for our readers, here it is again. This is a good method also for worn pieces.

Check the (T) in trust, all "large mottos" the (T) is about 1/16" away from the cross of of the ribbon containing the (WE), whereas, in the small motto the (T) is just about touching the ribbon. With this method of identification one can check many 1864 2¢ pieces in a matter of minutes.

I have written to Mr. Yeoman. the author of the RED U.S. Guide Book, about this and hope it can be of help to the collectors. Mention this at your next club meet-

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The 14th meeting of the New-ark Coin Club was held on the 12th of November at the Newark Y.M.-Y.W.C.A., 600 Broad Street, with thirty in attendence. Exhibits for the evening were Gold Coins, U.S. and Foreign and any-thing new or unusual. The door prize of an 1881-CC Silver Dollar in B.U. was won by a new mem-ber Al. Greenfield. Among those per Al. Greenfeld. Among those present were Frank Spadone, Publisher of the Flying Eaglet and his charming wife. From New York were Phil Rosenbaum and Jack Feierstein with a large assortment of coins and exhibits. After due discussion a new ammendment to the Club Charter was adopted as follows, to be known as Article 9; Members will be given 30 days advance notice for payment of annual dues, if no response is received a second notice will be sent allowing 30 days grace before the member is suspended. Reinstatement will be made upon written application to the Secretary for same and full payment of dues. James Brown read an original article entitled "Rare Elements For Coins". Refreshments were served, after which we viewed the various exhibits, among which were Nick Salimbene's Liberty and Indian Type Sets in B. U., William Klein had a Bronze World War I Medal, of General Pershing at the front, Paris Mint 1918 and the Mayflower Commemerative Medal also George Long had two Lincoln cents in Silver. This was followed by our monthly auction. As usual much trading went on among the members.

-Jack Nannery, Secy.

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The 285th meeting was held October 10th at the Military Park Hotel, Newark, N. J.

The subject for the evening "U.S. Cents All Types", was well represented. W. C. Blaisdell the speaker for this meeting also chose this as his subject for specialization of U. S. Large Cents. His claim this is an inexhaustable field is substantiated by continual new varieties being found. In the new book soon to be re-leased by Dr. Sheldon, "Penny Whimsy", there are now listed some 574 varieties of large cents and W.C.B. has all but 18 of those collectables, including the thirty three varieties in the 1853 catagory. J. A. Brown read one of his original articles from the "Scrapbook", entitled, "Can Ultra Sonics Clean Coins", which pro-duced a large question mark, also exhibited twelve varieties of colonial coins. T. U. Purrington exhibited uncirculated large cents and complete sets of Lincoln and Indian Head Cents. L. O. Goodman had varieties of large cents. J. P. Keller had extremely fine large cents of 1795, 1806, 1813, 1817, 1823 and 1856. George Wait had a large cent struck 80% off

center and three German five Roundup held in Regina. At the mark proof silver patterns. Vincent F. Torhan had new issues patterns. of Morocco, Ceylon and Egypt. James P. Ward had exceptionally fine pense and twopence of 1797 same as those exhibited at historic Old North Church of Boston. -James A. Brown, Sec'y-Treas. -0-

The following is the list of new officers for the New England Numismatic Association elected at their thirteenth Annual Conference held at the Sheraton Plaza, Boston, Mass., October 11, 12.

13. 1957. President - John J. Kittredge Vice-President - Anthony Porcaro Secretary - Treasurer - Eugene

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The 10th meeting of the Liberty Bell Coin Club was held on Oct. 8, 1957 at the Feltonville Recre-ation Center, Wyoming Avenue and Elva Street. Our president Pat Vassalluzo presided with 30 present for an auction.

Harry Forman, prominent Philadelphia dealer was our featured guest speaker. Mr. Forman's ex-planation of how the average collector should go about obtain-ing rolls of coins from banks was most fascinating.

The collection of over 2,000 Civil War tokens placed on exhibition by Harold Sullivan won 1st prize for exhibits. Exhibit of coins of Ireland by Ralph Smith won 5 points.

Interested applicants for membership are invited to attend future meetings which are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. —Joseph Weintraub, Secy.

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD **SEPTEMBER 12, 1957.**

Twenty members attended the September 12 meeting of the Calgary Chapter No. 2, C. N. A., Canada.

Our coin displays which have been shown at various retail stores (e.g. Tambyln Drug Store) around Calgary have brought many comments from the general public. In fact, because of the questions asked, we feel it is necssary to leave cards with the store having the display. The cards will give information about our meeting night, place of meeting and officers of the club. We feel the Calgary Chapter should obtain several new members in this way.

A discussion about grading of coins occupied some of our meeting time. The members generally felt that individual collectors varied somewhat on their ideas of any particular grade. Mr. Prince agreed to bring a display to the next meeting showing the various grades of coins in order to assist the newer members.

Mr. O. D. Christensen gave a short report on the

conclusion of his report he suggested that Calgary make a bid for the 1958 Western Roundup. After some discussion a vote was taken and the Calgary Chapter went on record as supporting Mr. Christensen's proposal.

-Mrs. Jack Marles, Sec'y.

COLLECTOR'S CLUB OF ROSTON

The 108th regular meeting of the Collector's Club of Boston was held Tuesday, Oct. 8, 1957 at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel Roston. This being the week of the N. E .-N. A. Convention we did not expect a very large attendance. We were happy to have twenty-two present, many of whom were pre-sent at the pre-meeting in the Town Room of the Hotel.

An invitation was received from the Boston Numismatic Society for us to join with them in a joint "Christmas Party" in Dec. We accepted this invitation with pleasure.

Drawings were held for door prizes kindly donated by some of our members. Another drawing was held for some very nice Numismatic material. These were won Leanord H. Finn & John Kitteredge.

Maurice M. Gould then intro-duced the Guest Speaker, Mr. Lewis Pollard, an authority on Confederate Currency. His subject was on "Confederate States of America Currency" and illustrated with slides kindly loaned us by A. N. A. The speaker also had some Confederate Notes not shown on the slides. These and some of his beautiful Gold collection were shown on the Boloptican kindly loaned us by The B. N. S.

This talk was very interesting and educational and we would suggest that other Clubs use these slides.

-Grace D. Lincoln, Sec'y. Medford 55, Mass.

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THE HEART OF AMERICA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION Kansas City, Missouri

260th meeting October 21, 1957 245 members present, a new record. This meeting was a very unusual and very interesting one. It was divided into four parts: 7:00-8:00 P.M. HANA Bourse; 8:00-8:30 P.M. a short business meeting; 8:30-8:45 P.M. motion pictures of the highlights of HA-NA for 1957 by the Keens; 8:45-10:45 P.M. HANA Bourse. Tables were sold at \$2.50 per person which netted the club \$50.00. Several dealers were present. Among them were: John Hansan, Martin Finkelstein, Rozanne Helfrey of Paseo Book Store, Kansas City, Mo., Floyd Hazelwood of Salina, and John Dooley of Topeka. Respectfully submitted.

-Buford Ellis, Secy.

"MEANS, METHODS, AND METALS OF OLD MONEY MAKERS"

Probably the greatest source of human history lies open for those who delve into the ancient field of Numismatics. Money and man have gone hand in hand down through the ages, doing a sort of twin act of knowledge for historians, who have used both as factual guides in their serious pursuit of the truth. To the question:-"How pure were the gold coins of the Egyptian Ptolemies? readily answer they were 23 carats three grains fine, with only one grain alloy. In the case of Roman gold coinage, it was very pure from the earliest times and remained so until the reign of Severus. This of course would be of no special interest to collectors of United States coins, but factual information is very necessary for those who like and search for specie of the ancient world.

Most of the early gold was mixed with silver which formed about one-fifth of the metal content, and is regularly referred to as "electrum." In the time of Severus a very bad or rather a low standard for silver coins was created and continued until the period of Diocletian. Back in the days of Philip of Macedon of Greece, the art of gold refining had reached such fine perfection, that the gold coins of the monarch the metal of which was dug from mines of coins of the monarch the metal of which was dug from hines of Philippi in Thrace, came to the purses of the Greeks in great purity. When it came to money the Greeks were quick-witted and smart, and knew it was to the public interest that good money produced good times. Of course the great monetary frauds of Greek history which gave the few despots a temporary advantage, were conducted by irresponsible rulers such as Hippias of Athens, Dionysius of Syracuse, and Polycrates of Samos.

Counterfeiters in those ancient times used lead actively in their art of deception. Copper too was employed by the forgers who silver art of deception. Copper too was employed by the forgers who silver or gold plated both metals. Egyptian coins created under the Roman emperors were struck at first from fairly good silver, but eventually by degrees they degenerated into a base metal called "Potin," consisting of copper and tin with but a little silver. This cheapened specie was remarkably thick, but many of the coins were well ex-

ecuted in a peculiar style with uncommon reverses.

Shape determined the method of making of the early Chinese coins. The easiest way of manufacture was to produce them by molds, running the molten metal into them, the molds, being wrought from bronze, stone, clay, iron or earthenware. Molds, sometimes like a cluster of fruit, were joined together by narrow channels for the passage of the heated metal. The Romans employed a similar method of production which is revealed by the slight projections on the edge of the majority of surviving specimens. When the cluster on the edge of the higherty of sale vising specimens. The the cooled, the bands were broken to separate the specie, and the money men seemed to care little about the rough protruding ends.

During the centuries when the precious metals were terribly scarce, the coins were not only small, but also very thin, the blanks being cut from hammered sheets or strips. At a later period a custom prevailed where round coins could be halved or quartered in order that the pieces could be used for small change. Also in Scandinavia and central Europe at one time, square coins actually became popular because the blanks could be snipped so quickly from the metal strips that it seemed a waste of time, and a waste of silver trimming them to the shape of the circular impression. About 1514 Leonardo da Vinci created a mechanical way for punching out perfectly formed round blanks uniform in size and weight. Further improvements were introduced by the clever Benvenuto Cellini, who

was Master of the Mint at Rome for seven years.

The kings upon Greek coins have generally the diadem without any other ornament. The side face is always presented, although upon some very ancient coins of cities, and Roman consular coins full faces are found of amazing relief and expression. Sometimes heads are found on the same coin, either impressed on both sides, or upon only one. Thus the beautiful gold coin of Ptolemy Philadelpus, king of Egypt, bears his own head and that of Arsinoe, his queen on one side, and those of his father and mother Ptolemy I, and Berenice on the other. Coins are found also of Anthony and Cleopatra, Nero and Agrippina, Agrippina and Germanicus, and many others both Greek and Roman. Sometimes two or more heads are found upon one side, while the other bears a reverse in the usual way. These heads are either adverse, that is opposite to each other, face to face, or joined, and both looking one way. Of the adverse are the coins of Licinius, father and son, and others. Joined heads are found on the finest Greek coins. Sometimes three heads are found on one side as in that of Valerian, with his sons Gallienus. and Valerian. All such coins are rare and valuable.

Besides the diadem, the Greek princes sometimes appear with

a laurel crown. Arsacidae, or kings of Parthia, wore a kind of sash around the head with their hair in rows of curls like a wig. Tigranes, and the kings of Armenia wore the tiara. Xerxes, a pretty prince of Armenia appears on a coin in a conic cap, with a diadem around it.

Juba, his father had a singular crown like a conic cap all decked out with pearls. The successors of Alexander assumed different symbols of deity on their busts, such as the lion's skin of Hercules surrounding the head of the first Seleucus. Greek queens had the vitta or diadem, while most queens of Egypt had the sceptre.

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The article on this page is by Clarence M. Fink.

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